

Pride in Parenting
Knowledge of Infant Development Inventory
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INSTRUCTIONS: The following questions ask you about how infants typically develop, and what parents can do to help them grow. Each question describes what might be the behavior of a typical infant or what could effect a baby's growth and behavior. For each statement, decide whether you AGREE, DISAGREE, or are NOT SURE of the answer.

Please answer each item based on your knowledge of infants in general. We want to know how you think most babies act, how they grow, and how to care for them.

	AGREE	DISAGREE	NOT SURE
1. The parent just needs to feed, clean, and clothe the baby for it to turn out fine.	1	2	8
2. A 2-year-old who is 2 or 3 months behind other 2-year-olds is retarded.	1	2	8
3. Children often will keep using the wrong word for awhile, even when they are told the right way to say it (like "feet not footses").	1	2	8
4. A baby should not be held when he (she) is crying because this will make him (her) want to be held all the time.	1	2	8
5. If a baby (less than a year) wants a snack, give it nuts, popcorn, or raisins.	1	2	8
6. Babies do some things just to make trouble for their parents, like crying a long time or pooping in their diapers.	1	2	8
7. If you punish your child for doing something bad, it's okay to give him (her) a piece of candy to stop the crying.	1	2	8
8. You must stay in the bathroom when your infant is in the tub.	1	2	8
9. Babies cannot see and hear at birth.	1	2	8
10. Infants understand only words they can say.	1	2	8

11.	If a child is shy or fussy in new situations, it means that he (she) has an emotional problem.	1	2	8
12.	Talking to a child about things he is doing helps his mental growth.	1	2	8
13.	A 2-year-old who says "NO!" to everything and bosses you around is trying to get you upset.	1	2	8
14.	The way a child is brought up has little effect on how smart he (she) is.	1	2	8
15.	A baby may cry for 20 or 30 minutes at a time, no matter how much you try to comfort him (her).	1	2	8
16.	Fathers are naturally clumsy when it comes to taking care of babies.	1	2	8
17.	All infants need the same amount of sleep.	1	2	8
18.	Babies have little effect on how parents care for them, at least until they get old.	1	2	8
19.	Taking care of a child can leave the parent feeling tired, frustrated, or overwhelmed.	1	2	8
20.	Putting a soft pillow in the crib is a good, safe way to help the baby sleep better.	1	2	8
21.	A brother or sister may start wetting the bed or thumbsucking when the new baby arrives in the family.	1	2	8
22.	New foods should be given to the infant one at a time, with 4-5 days between each one.	1	2	8
23.	The two year old's sense of time is different from an adult's.	1	2	8
24.	Most premature babies end up being abused, neglected, or mentally retarded.	1	2	8
25.	If a baby is fed evaporated milk, he (she) needs extra vitamins and iron.	1	2	8
26.	Some healthy babies spit out almost every new food until they get used to it.	1	2	8
27.	The baby's personality is set by 6 months of age.	1	2	8
28.	Some parents do not bond with their infants until the baby starts to smile and look at them.			

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		Agree 1	Disagree 2	Not Sure 8
29.	The way the parent treats a baby in the first months of life determines how the child will grow up.			
30.	Children learn all of their language by copying what they have heard adults say.	1	2	8
31.	When a baby less than 12 months gets diarrhea, you should stop feeding solid foods and give it a little sugar water or pedialyte.	1	2	8
32.	Infants may stop paying attention to what is going on around them if there is too much noise or too many things to look at.	1	2	8
33.	Some normal kids do not enjoy being cuddled.			
34.	If a baby has trouble pooping, give it warm milk.	1	2	8
35.	The more you soothe your crying baby by holding and talking to it, the more you spoil him (her).	1	2	8
36.	A common cause of accidents for toddlers is pulling something like a frying pan, a tablecloth, or a lamp down on top of them.	1	2	8
37.	Girls are delicate and sick more often, so they need to be treated more carefully than boys.			
38.	A good way to teach your child not to hit is to hit back.	1	2	8
39.	Some days you need to discipline your child; other days you can ignore the same thing. It all depends on the mood you're in that day.	1	2	8
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Each of the following asks about the age at which infants can do something. Tell me if you AGREE with the statement. If you do not agree, would a YOUNGER or OLDER child show the behavior?

		Agree 1	Younger 2	Older 3	Not Sure 8
40.	Most babies can sit on the floor without falling over by 7 months.				
41.	A 6 month old will respond to someone differently if the person is happy or upset.	1	2	3	8
42.	Most 2 year olds know the difference between make-believe and true stories on TV.	1	2	3	8
43.	Infants usually are walking by about 12 months of age.	1	2	3	8

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44.	An 8 month old acts differently with a familiar person than with someone not seen before.				
45.	A baby is about 7 months old before he (she) can reach for and grab things.	1	2	3	8
46.	A 2-year-old is able to think logically, much like an adult would.	1	2	3	8
47.	A 1-year-old knows right from wrong.	1	2	3	8
48.	A 3-month-old often will smile when he (she) sees an adult's face.	1	2	3	8
49.	Most children are ready to be toilet trained by one year of age.	1	2	3	8
50.	An infant begins to respond to his (her) name at 10 months.	1	2	3	8
51.	Babies begin to laugh at things around 4 months.	1	2	3	8
52.	Six month olds understand what "no" means.	1	2	3	8
53.	A 4-month-old lying on his stomach starts to lift his head.	1	2	3	8
54.	Babbling ("a-bah-bah" or "da-da-da") begins around 5 months.	1	2	3	8
55.	Eighteen month olds often cooperate and share when they play together.	1	2	3	8
56.	An infant of 12 months can remember toys he (she) has watched being hidden.	1	2	3	8
57.	Babies usually say their first real word at 6 months.	1	2	3	8
58.	Infants will avoid high places, like stairs, by 6 months of age.	1	2	3	8

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